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Care of 'CHINA MAIL' Office.  
Hongkong, March 13, 1905. 509

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Care of 'CHINA MAIL' Office.  
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Hongkong, March 7, 1905. 496

### NOTICE

THE HONGKONG SCHOOLS'  
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March 27th.  
Hongkong, March 23, 1905. 630

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RESUMED This Day CHARGE of  
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G. DE CHAMPEAUX,  
Agent.  
Hongkong, March 23, 1905. 619

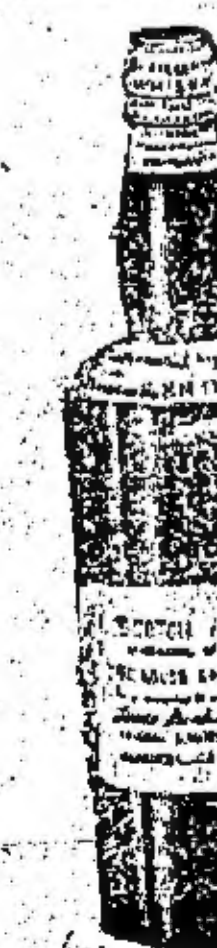
### NOTICE

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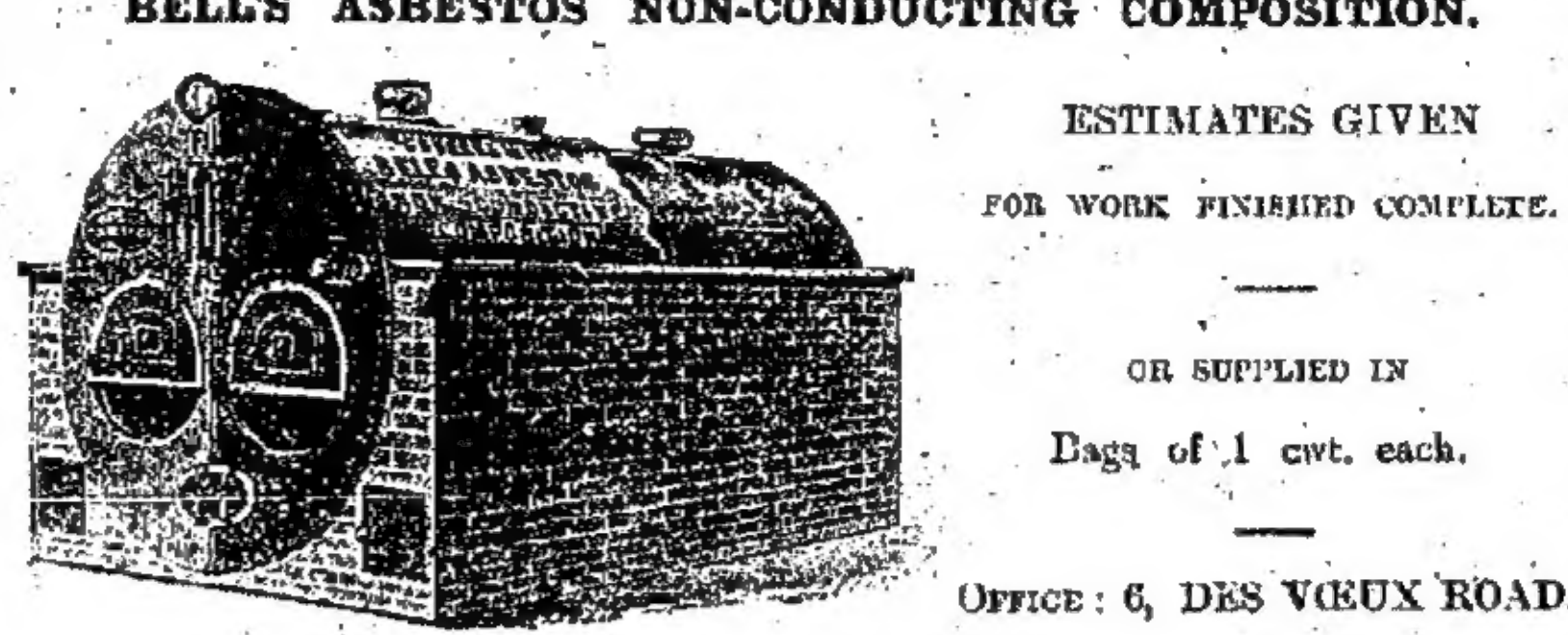
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## His Britannic Majesty's Ships on the China Station

| Foreign Men-of-war on the China and Japan Station. |                              |        |       |        |                                |             |
|--|------------------------------|--------|-------|--------|--------------------------------|-------------|
| Name   | Flag and Description.        | Tons.  | Guns. | H.P.   | Captains.                      |             |
| Aspern   | Austro-Hungarian cruiser     | 2437   | 20    | 7300   | Capt. Friedrich Grusenberger   | Singapore   |
| Kaiserin Elisabeth                                 | Austro-Hungarian cruiser     | 4000   | 29    | 8000   | Captain Mirl Prauz             | Swatow      |
| Adrona   | French armoured gunboat      | 1785   | 10    | 1700   | Comdr. Laferriere              | Saigon      |
| Alouette   | French gunboat               | 300    | 7     | 400    | Lieut. A. Varney               | Saigon      |
| Argus  | French gunboat               | 153    | 4     | 500    | Lieut. Grippin                 | Saigon      |
| Aspic  | French gunboat               | 476    | 8     | 500    | Lieut. Journet                 | Saigon      |
| Avallanche   | French gunboat               | 140    | 5     | 150    | ---                            | Haiphong    |
| Bengali  | French gunboat               | 580    | 6     | 400    | ---                            | Saigon      |
| Bignaud  | French cruiser               | 3740   | 29    | 9000   | Capt. Lelivre                  | Saigon      |
| Casotele   | French gunboat               | 140    | 5     | 150    | ---                            | Saigon      |
| *Chateaufort                                       | French cruiser               | 8018   | 18    | 17,000 | Captain V. Poidoux             | Haiphong    |
| Comete   | French gunboat               | 555    | 6     | 500    | Commander Lons                 | Haiphong    |
| Decidie  | French gunboat               | 680    | 10    | 900    | Commander L'Est                | Saigon      |
| D'Assas  | French cruiser               | 4000   | 31    | 9500   | ---                            | Saigon      |
| Dace   | French gunboat               | ---    | 7     | ---    | ---                            | Haiphong    |
| Froude   | French destroyer             | 350    | 7     | 323    | Lieut. Jechene                 | Haiphong    |
| Guydon   | French cruiser               | 978    | 95    | 20,300 | ---                            | Shanghai    |
| Henri Riviere                                      | French gunboat               | 397    | 7     | 300    | Lieut. Comdr. Beanesart        | Haiphong    |
| *Iveline   | French destroyer             | 1250   | 6     | 2200   | Commander Le Gouss             | Shanghai    |
| Kersant  | French cruiser               | 3700   | 12    | 18,600 | Captain Gros                   | Haiphong    |
| Montcalm   | French torpedo-boat          | 950    | 7     | 300    | Lieut. de Von Prat             | Haiphong    |
| Mosquet  | French gunboat               | 350    | 7     | 300    | Capt. Hourst                   | Yamagata    |
| Olry   | French cruiser               | 4015   | 27    | 8500   | Capt. Scruces                  | Haiphong    |
| Pascal   | French torpedo-boat          | 393    | 7     | 300    | Lieut. de Noerth               | Haiphong    |
| Pistole  | French cruiser               | 2437   | 8     | 6071   | ---                            | Saigon      |
| Redoutable   | French cruiser               | 1795   | 10    | 1700   | Capt. Vincent                  | Saigon      |
| Sully  | French cruiser               | 955    | ---   | 20,000 | Captain Guiberteau             | Shanghai    |
| Surprise   | French gunboat               | 623    | 2     | 900    | Lieut. Holgue                  | Shanghai    |
| Taklang  | French gunboat               | 6150   | 23    | 4560   | Captain Blonde                 | Yamagata    |
| Vanban   | French cruiser               | 123    | 7     | 500    | Lieut. Carol                   | Along Bay   |
| Vigilante  | French gunboat               | ---    | ---   | ---    | ---                            | Canton      |
| Bussard  | German cruiser               | 1857   | 15    | 2800   | Comdr. Huss                    | ---         |
| First Bismarck                                     | German flagship              | 11,000 | 35    | 14,900 | Captain Krowe                  | Manila      |
| Geier  | German cruiser               | 1775   | 15    | 2950   | Comdr. von Sendnir             | Singapore   |
| Hansa  | German cruiser               | 6230   | 34    | 10,000 | Capt. Weber                    | ---         |
| Horthia  | German cruiser               | 6550   | 37    | 10,000 | Capt. Baron Schimmelmann       | Singapore   |
| Illis  | German gunboat               | 1063   | 10    | 1300   | Comdr. Baron van M. Hüllessem  | Nanking     |
| Jaguar   | German gunboat               | 900    | 10    | 1300   | Comdr. Klobbe                  | Amoy        |
| Luchs  | German gunboat               | 800    | 10    | 1300   | Comdr. Krencke                 | Hongkong    |
| Möwe   | German gunboat               | 8      | 1009  | 8      | Comdr. von Grumbkow            | Manila      |
| Seadler  | German cruiser               | 1040   | 15    | 2300   | Capt. Pernau                   | Shanghai    |
| Thetis   | German cruiser               | 2650   | 24    | 8700   | Captain Voit                   | Shanghai    |
| Tiger  | German gunboat               | 900    | 10    | 1300   | Comdr. Disting                 | ---         |
| Tingtan  | German gunboat               | 170    | 5     | 1300   | Comdr. Giebler                 | Canton      |
| Vormarin   | German gunboat               | ---    | 3     | 500    | Lieut. Scharf                  | Shanghai    |
| Elba   | Italian cruiser              | 2300   | 10    | 7471   | Captain Borea Ricci            | ---         |
| Marco Polo   | Italian cruiser              | 3600   | ---   | ---    | Captain Presbitero             | Shanghai    |
| Puglia   | Italian cruiser              | 2498   | 29    | 7000   | Capt. Pescetto                 | Shanghai    |
| Adamastor  | Portuguese cruiser           | 1930   | 14    | 4000   | Captain d'Antas Ribeiro        | Hongkong    |
| Dia  | Portuguese gunboat           | 720    | ---   | ---    | Captain Coutinho               | Hongkong    |
| Vasco de Gama                                      | Portuguese cruiser           | 3215   | 20    | 6000   | Capt. Manuel Vasco de Carvalho | Singapore   |
| Alcock   | Russian gunboat              | 816    | 6     | 730    | Comdr. Guntz                   | Vladivostok |
| Amoran   | Russian cruiser              | 2800   | 5     | 4700   | Comdr. Gramscheloff            | Port Arthur |
| Askold   | Russian cruiser              | 6000   | 27    | 24,000 | Capt. Reitzschstein            | Shanghai    |
| Bayan  | Russian cruiser              | 7690   | 10    | 16,500 | ---                            | Port Arthur |
| Bobre  | Russian gunboat              | 1050   | 8     | 1250   | ---                            | ---         |
| Bogatyr  | Russian cruiser              | 6640   | 12    | 19,500 | Comdr. Erjckovitch             | ---         |
| Diana  | Russian cruiser              | 6731   | 6     | 8000   | ---                            | Saigon      |
| Djagub   | Russian gunboat              | 1456   | 3     | 1700   | Capt. Nasarovsky               | Port Arthur |
| Oldiamant  | Russian gunboat              | 500    | 9     | 3500   | Comdr. Yonrif                  | Port Arthur |
| Gromiatshy   | Russian gunboat              | 1490   | 6     | 2000   | Comdr. Zagoransky              | ---         |
| Jeremolob  | Russian cruiser              | 12,384 | 44    | 14,500 | Captain Josen                  | Vladivostok |
| Guilak   | Russian gunboat              | 1050   | 6     | 1000   | Comdr. Shumof                  | Shanghai    |
| Mandjour   | Russian gunboat              | 1294   | 7     | 1400   | Commander Crown                | Shanghai    |
| Novik  | Russian cruiser              | 3900   | 6     | 17,000 | ---                            | Shanghai    |
| Orsky  | Russian gunboat              | 1490   | 6     | 8000   | Comdr. Vasilief                | Port Arthur |
| Porevich   | Russian battleship           | 12,674 | 15    | 14,900 | Captain Korolef                | ---         |
| Portovarovsk                                       | Russian battleship           | 10,960 | 16    | 10,600 | Captain Jakovlef               | Damaged     |
| Pobeda   | Russian battleship           | 12,674 | 15    | 14,500 | Capt. Zaitzevitch              | Port Arthur |
| Pollava  | Russian battleship           | 10,960 | 16    | 10,600 | Captain Oserof                 | Port Arthur |
| Rashnytsa  | Russian cruiser              | 1334   | 10    | 1786   | Comdr. Liven                   | Port Arthur |
| Belovian   | Russian battleship           | 12,902 | 16    | 16,000 | ---                            | Port Arthur |
| Rossia   | Russian protected cruiser    | 12,200 | 68    | 17,000 | Captain Severeznitoff          | Vladivostok |
| Rurik  | Russian protected cruiser    | 10,825 | 25    | 13,250 | Capt. Makovsevit               | Port Arthur |
| Savastopol   | Russian battleship           | 10,960 | 13    | 10,600 | Capt. Sidorovitch              | Port Arthur |
| Sitach   | Russian gunboat              | 950    | 2     | 1125   | Lieut. Comdr. Ivanof           | Port Arthur |
| Vaschk   | Russian gunboat              | 500    | 9     | 3300   | Comdr. Zagoriansky-Klasei      | Port Arthur |
| Zabiyka  | Russian cruiser              | 1230   | 15    | 1194   | Comdr. Abramoff                | Port Arthur |
| Albany   | U. S. cruiser                | 3729   | 28    | 7500   | Capt. Dyer                     | Canton      |
| Amnapolis  | U. S. torpedo-boat destroyer | 1000   | 12    | 1227   | Capt. Doster                   | Shanghai    |
| Bainbridge   | U. S. cruiser                | 4600   | ---   | ---    | Lieut. Woodward                | Shanghai    |
| Baltimore  | U. S. cruiser                | 4600   | ---   | ---    | Capt. Sargeant                 | Manila      |
| Barr   | U. S. torpedo-boat destroyer | 420    | 7     | 8000   | Lieut. Irvin                   | Hongkong    |
| Callao   | U. S. gunboat                | 218    | 10    | 600    | Lieut. Dismaker                | Hongkong    |
| Chauncey   | U. S. torpedo-boat destroyer | 420    | 7     | 8000   | Lieut. E. P. Jessop            | Hongkong    |
| Cincinnati   | U. S. cruiser                | 3213   | 19    | 7300   | Capt. Hugo Oettershaus         | Chiao       |
| Dale   | U. S. torpedo-boat destroyer | 420    | 7     | 8000   | Lieut. Gurnell                 | Hongkong    |
| Decatur  | U. S. torpedo-boat destroyer | 420    | 7     | 8000   | Lieut. A. W. Knox              | Hongkong    |
| Edmon  | U. S. gunboat                | 560    | 10    | 6000   | SA-Comdr. J. Hood              | Shanghai    |
| Helena   | U. S. gunboat                | 1392   | 8     | 1988   | Comdr. P. E. Sawyer            | Manila      |
| Monadnock  | U. S. monitor                | 3990   | 6     | 3900   | Captain Mahan                  | Shanghai    |
| Monterey   | U. S. monitor                | 4054   | 4     | 5243   | Comdr. J. B. Mifflin           | Canton      |
| New Orleans  | U. S. cruiser                | 9437   | 30    | 7500   | Commander G. B. Harbe          | Canton      |
| Oregon   | U. S. cruiser                | 10,283 | 45    | 11,111 | Captain Burwell                | Manila      |
| Panpanga   | U. S. gunboat                | 211    | 3     | 250    | Ensign J. E. Ess               | Hongkong    |
| N. N.  | U. S. gunboat                | 201    | 3     | 250    | Capt. Bennett                  | Canton      |
| Rainbow  | U. S. cruiser                | 4090   | 14    | 7500   | Capt. J. B. Collins            | Manila      |
| Raleigh  | U. S. cruiser                | 5313   | 13    | 7913   | Comdr. Marshall                | Shanghai    |
| San Francisco                                      | U. S. cruiser                | 4098   | 37    | 11,118 | Captain Vane                   | Manila      |
| Vicksburg  | U. S. gunboat                | 1000   | 15    | 1118   | Commander Marshall             | Shanghai    |
| Winifred   | U. S. gunboat                | 347    | 8     | 500    | Lieut. H. A. Wiley             | Shanghai    |
| Wisconsin  | U. S. gunboat                | 1387   | 8     | 1884   | Commander A. W. Dodd           | Manila      |
|  | U. S. flagship               | 12,000 | 50    | 12,600 | Captain Glover                 | Hongkong    |
| * Flagship of Rear-Admiral Folger.                 |                              |        |       |        |                                |             |
| There is also a Philippine U. S. Squadron.         |                              |        |       |        |                                |             |
| * Flagship of Rear-Admiral de Jonquieres.          |                              |        |       |        |                                |             |
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11 a.m.—Meeting of China and Manila

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Auctions.

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Rooms.

2.30 p.m.—Auction of Gold &amp; Diamond

Jewellery, etc., at Messrs Hughes &amp;

Hughes' Sales Rooms.

Amusements.

9 p.m.—Performance at City Hall.

General Memoranda.

MONDAY, March 27—

11 a.m.—Auction of Spirits and Wines

at Mr. V. I. Remedios' Sales

Rooms.

1.30 p.m.—Auction of Household

Furniture, at No. 1, Gough Hill, the Peak.

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Furniture, etc., at No. 2, Gough Hill, the

Peak.

2.45 p.m.—Auction of Household

Furniture, at No. 11, Austin Avenue, Kow-

loon.

3 p.m.—Auction of Crown Land at the

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TUESDAY, March 28—

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## LOCAL AND COAST NEWS.

The P. and O. steamer "Sinh" ar-

rived in port last evening about twelve

hours ahead of time. On coming into the



## THE VOLUNTEERS.

## Annual Inspection.

The annual inspection of the Hongkong Volunteer Corps by His Excellency, Major General Villiers Hutton will take place on Cayesway Bay recreation ground to-morrow afternoon.

The corps will parade at the Volunteer Headquarters at 8 o'clock and will be formed up into two main detachments with six guns each, while the Engineer Company will be present as an infantry detachment. The men will march down to Cayesway Bay, via Queen's Road and the Praya, and on reaching the rendezvous will be met by the Hongkong Volunteer Troop, who will form up with the Volunteer companies.

At 3.30 the inspecting officer will arrive and the customary inspection and subsequent march past will be carried out.

Major G. G. Pritchard will be in command of the Volunteers and Troop, and all other officers will be present. The probable attendance will total 250 men, including 20 troopers.

This is the final Volunteer drill of the season and it is compulsory for all Volunteers, excepting those on leave or too ill to attend.

## FIGHT ON THE PRAYA.

## Americans in Trouble.

Since the American war-ships came into the harbour a few days ago the sailors, who have been on leave with plenty of money to spend, have literally overrun the city. Many minor disturbances have occurred, and arrests and the sailors being relieved of some of their cash resulted, but when primed with some of the spirits dispensed in the city the tars are not to be deterred by small considerations, and yesterday a free fight, or pitched battle, occurred on the Praya in the vicinity of the Government Wharf. In consequence of this nine sailors, three of whom were coloured, appeared before Mr. F. A. Hansland, at the Magistrate's court, this morning, each charged with being drunk and disorderly and one of their number with assaulting an Indian Sergeant by throwing him into the harbour. The men pleaded not guilty and evidence was given from which it would appear that the row was a case of Black versus White. The party were about to board a launch waiting for them at the wharf, at about 11 o'clock, when one of the Americans struck one of the coloured men. A general fight resulted during which one of the coloured men was in danger of being thrown into the water.

An Indian Sergeant endeavoured to rescue him from the Americans and one of them by force of showing that he resented the liberty let the negro go and turning his attention to the other dragged him into the water. The Indian was rescued by a constable and the police force having been reinforced the sailors were placed under arrest.

A European constable who came on the scene when some of the men had been arrested said that one of the men was armed with a knife, trying to stab another with an iron bar, which he obtained from the launch.

During the fight an American officer who was in charge of a launch from the "Oregon," which was to take the sailors to their ship, was asked to stop the launch and the effort to stop the fight proved unavailing. The officer said that the Indian Sergeant was pushed into the water by the crowd and not by any particular man. There were about 50 men mixed up in the fight and about 50 of them were drunk. One of the coloured men stated that it was all the outcome of an old grudge. The white man "jumped in and started to beat him up."

His Worship said that he believed the Sergeant was pushed into the water but convicted all of the defendants on the first charge. Four of whom he considered were the worst were fined \$7 and the balance of the men \$5 each.

## THE YACHT CLUB CAT.

My life and tales are very long,  
To eager hearers sing my song  
Of love and valour; right and wrong.  
I am the Yacht Club cat.

My coat is white, my voice is low.  
In happy mood thro' life I go  
When word or token you bestow  
Upon the Yacht Club cat.

I prow among the tables small,  
And curl remarks from one and all,  
Some fables old, some fables tall  
I am the Yacht Club cat.

I pause beside the "thirty" waltz,  
But only for an instant stay  
The tales told there are much too gay  
E'en for the Yacht Club cat.

Beneath the shrubs I contemplate,  
On Season's follies and the fate  
Of those who play out very late  
I am the Yacht Club cat.

The studios once I rarely see,  
The green lawn is the place for me,  
The chatter, coffee, cake, and tea  
Just suit the Yacht Club cat.

The children of the ladies bring  
The strain of waltz on dancing light,  
Love laces these, are my delight  
Gay is the Yacht Club cat.

If Captain bold and pretty Miss,  
Beneath the stars should steal a kiss,  
I'll blink, and never whisper this  
I am the Yacht Club cat.

I love to see the kittens play,  
For little cats must have their day,  
Wisdom I leave to fables grey  
Who love the Yacht Club cat!

So, gentlemen and ladies fair,  
When to your table I repair,  
Please give me one of your sweetest share  
—I am the Yacht Club cat!

—Mick in the *Bombay Gazette*.

En. — Thank goodness, you're no grammarian. — Sh. — What do you mean? He. — That you can't decline a kiss.

When a religious procession was traversing the streets of Valencia in Spain a mob attacked the worshippers, and were charged by cavalry and gendarmes, who dispersed them with rifle fire.

In his message read to the Finnish Diet recently the "Czar" announced that new measures had been framed for the purpose of mitigation of the laws dealing with the Russification of the country.

## LONDON LETTER.

## (From Our Correspondent.)

London, February 24.

We can know nothing officially of the conclusions of the Commission on the Dogger Bank incident till to-morrow evening (Saturday). But a persistent rumour from quarters usually well informed says that Admiral Rozhdestvensky is completely exonerated by it. He thought he saw torpedo boats and had a right to fire on the suspected enemy. Also, I presume he had a right to sail away when disillusioned, without staying to assist the wounded, because there might conceivably be hostile vessels in the neighbourhood. If this indeed be the decision, Russia will be very ill-advised if she makes a similar blunder again, for we shall know better than to submit a second outrage to an International Commission. Russia's only two victories of the war have been the triumph over unarmed workers on Vladimir's day and the award in favour of the Mad Dog fleet in the North Sea. A third Baltic fleet is now sailing and (Hull) fishers are naturally anxious to know whether it will be encouraged by the reported decision to look for sport in its turn. If it does it will find it.

Greenwich Conservatives wish to throw over Lord Hugh Cecil. They simply do not know what is good for them. Twenty years ago I was told by an old farmer at Haverdham that all the brains in the Gladstone family were divided between the old man and Herbert, and something very similar is true about the Cecil. If politics be indeed (what it often seems) a mere party game, items in a majority are more valuable than thinkers, and there is a justification for the cynical definition of an "Independent member as a member who cannot be depended upon." But if those of us are right who believe that there is room in the work of legislation for the best and brightest intellects of the country, we can ill spare one so brilliant as Lord Hugh Cecil. He is a sound Tory, and one who will never change sides like the brilliant but erratic son of the brilliant but erratic Lord Randolph Churchill, but at the same time he has a healthy habit of original thought and will never form one of the flock of honourable and right honourable sheep who trot into the right lobby at the right time in obedience to the official signal. However we may remember that Greenwich many years ago failed to snuff out Gladstone, and we may think that once again they are voicing rather their own failure to appreciate intelligence and ability than expressing a reasoned judgment on men and matters.

Sir Henry Irving has been ill, not too ill to act, but not well enough to receive a deputation and an address at Wolverhampton. His age is now 67, and his occupation must be strenuous as to justify anxiety as to his health. In *Who's Who* he enters "Acting" as his favourite recreation, and has no definite intention of abandoning the stage at present. He has announced that he will not again appear in Hamlet, as his son is to take that part at the Adelphi when it is found necessary to withdraw the present successful revival of *The Taming of the Shrew* at that theatre.

As the weeks go on we recognise a radical difference between the *Torrey* Alexander revival at the Albert Hall and the movement still in progress in Wales. The latter was spontaneous and contagious while the former seems almost artificial. The London movement rather empties the dissenting places of worship than attracts the sinners. I do not mean that there is any lack of sincerity but simply that sinful London has declined to be awakened by the anecdotes of Dr. Torrey or the capable singing and bizarre conducting of Mr. Alexander. The effect of the movement cannot fail to be entirely good so far as it goes, but it is a matter of real regret that it does not go very far.

Long Acre has been the abode of coachmakers for the last two centuries, and is now the chief home of the motor manufacturers who come to out the makers of horse-drawn carriages. A swift Nemesis might seem to have followed their intrusion if it be true that a petrol explosion was responsible for the outbreak of the fire that raged there throughout the whole of Wednesday, and effected destruction of property to the value of some £250,000. The disaster will not check the trade. Dangerous as petrol undoubtedly is, both on the road and in submarines, it is so good a servant that we cannot dispense with it. We shall very soon have many

motor buses on the roads in London, and our railways have already begun to replace steam engines by motor traction. The motor car is already with us and every borough will soon have its motor ambulance, crawling through the streets to find or make accident cases for the hospitals.

## THE NEW ARMY RIFLE.

## Favourably Regarded by the "Pioneer."

The *Albion* paper may be relied upon to express the services view on Military matters. Here is what it says regarding the new short rifle, which has been so hotly criticised at home:—

There need not be much surprise at the revival of the controversy regarding the short rifle. The "trade" have always been in opposition since the pattern was adopted, and they have found a certain amount of support from military officers, particularly those who go in for much shooting. Undoubtedly, the longer the barrel of any rifle the greater will be the range and the power of penetration, but these qualities are not everything in a military weapon. The soldier wants a rifle that he can handle quickly and easily, one that will ensure perfectly accurate shooting in the most "dangerous" zone, i.e., up to 1,000 yards, when an attack is entering the final phase, and one which at the same time can be relied upon for good shooting up to 2,000 yards. Even at the latter range aimed rifle-fire is practically impossible, and one might almost say that beyond a mile the shooting must be always "into the brown." Now the short rifle has been proved to hold its own with any of its rivals up to 1,000 yards, and as it is sighted up to 1,500 yards we do not see that its ranging powers can be questioned. With side-sights it can be used up to 3,000 yards. The long Lee-Enfield gun, of course, carries much further than this for its initial velocity is much greater, but it is heavy and clumsy, with the result that rapid aiming and shooting with it is always poor. The new short weapon, with its clip loader, should give excellent results at close quarters and is a great point to have gained, for the Russo-Japanese campaign has shown that hand-to-hand conflict must frequently occur in modern warfare. Those who depreciate the new arm forget that it has only been adopted after the most careful and prolonged experiments, and that experts have watched its performance with almost painful attention. It has the merit of being universal rifle; in other words it will be the rifle for Cavalry as well as Infantry, the carbine having been abolished. The mounted branch will welcome it without reservation, for the long rifle is an encumbrance to the Cavalry soldier. The controversy will probably continue some months, and it is possible that the troops to whom it has been served out will be going through their musketry training. As an ounce of practice is worth many pounds of theory, the merits of the rifle will be best tested by the returns from regiments. In India a number of battalions have the short rifle, and they will be exercised with it on the range and in field firing. We have little doubt that the shooting will be straight and that the number of hits gained in the practical exercises particularly will be greater than those which the long rifle would secure. It is not, of course, to be expected that finally has been obtained, for new inventions in fire-arms are made every three or four years; but for the present, at least, our troops can confidently rely upon the weapon that is being placed in their hands.

## A NEW LIFE-SAVING GUN.

Is it progressive, is it right, for death-dealing guns to represent a higher standard of efficiency than life-saving guns? Manifestly not. But these were the inhuman conditions of affairs that led a young Yale man, Francis S. Hall, jun., of the class of 1899, Scientific School, to pick the old gun to pieces and then invent a modern breech-loading life-line firearm worthy of those who are to use it and destined to wonderfully increase the efficiency of the life-saving service.

The perfection of Mr. Hall's life-saving cannon is the culmination of several years of practical experimenting, begun in college, where he designed and then built at a local machine shop a rapid-fire gun, which has since come to be extensively used on ships and yachts for signalling, saluting, etc.

The operation of the life gun when a vessel has been wrecked on a rock near the shore is a simple process, for it is used to shoot a line to the ship, where it is made fast, while the shore end is attached by means of great braces, forming a tripod, when it is then anchored in the earth.

Why a muzzle-loading gun would not be as good for this purpose as the most highly improved breech-loader may not at first be apparent, but it must be borne in mind that the value of the whole equipment depends upon the rapidity with which it can be got ready, for every moment brings the ship nearer to destruction and its crew closer to death.

Weeks most frequently occur during storms and the darkness of night, and then comes the time of weather; it then becomes necessary to load the old style muzzle-loading guns with powder bags, usually unprotected, while its open bore points at an upward angle permitting the rain to pour into it, its closed breech naturally forming a receptacle for it.

The Hall gun is constructed of a bronze and steel alloy which will not rust under the action of salt air and water. A self-loading device made of the least number of parts closes the rear of the bore and also provides for instantly draining off any water that may find its way into it. The powder and primer are both contained in a cartridge case made of bronze and sealed up, air and water tight.

This cartridge slips into the breech without trouble or loss of time. To fire the line the cartridge is placed in the breech, which is in the form of a cylindrical coil, has the line attached to it and is then pushed home, when the firing takes place in the usual manner.

Highly satisfactory tests of this new gun have recently been concluded at the United States (U.S.A.) State range. At the present time a number of these guns are being built in the shops of an electric company for vessels owned by the United States.

Colds are quickly cured by Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. It acts on a natural plan, loosens the cough, relieves the lungs and opens the secretions, effecting a permanent cure. It counteracts any tendency of a cold to result in pneumonia. For sale by All Dealers; WATKINS & Co., Ltd., General Agents.

## SPORTING.

## Cricket.

## THE LEAGUE COMPETITION.

Owing to the annual inspection of the Volunteer Corps, which takes place to-morrow, there will not be as many League matches played as usual, as a large number of the cricketers are members of the Volunteers as well. The Hongkong "A" team have an engagement with the Royal Army Medical Corps team, but should have little difficulty in lowering the colours of the army team. The next team they meet is the *Craven* team. *Craven* will give them a stern task to perform, and the result of the match, should it end in a win and not in a draw, will intensify interest in the remaining matches between the leading Clubs.

The following will play for Hongkong "A" on the Craven Ground to-morrow:—A. Mackenzie, Falloon, Gibson, Hooper, Butcher, Oliver, Wolff, Mackay, Wells, Parker and Rogers.

## Athletics.

## V. M. C. SPORTS.

Entries for the Victoria Recreation Club's annual Athletic Sports close on April 1 to-morrow week, and intending competitors should lighten the work of the handicappers and commit to sending in their names as soon as possible. With the absence of any Taiikoo Sports this year the handicappers will have a somewhat difficult and thankless task to perform, but they will be depended upon to do justice to the competitors. Training at the recreation has been interfered with by the inclement weather prevailing, but one or two of the athletes are commencing to strike from. The hundred yards race promises to provide a good battle and a good race, but an even race should be the result. The tug-of-war will probably attract a number of teams; the Royal West Kent Regiment, we understand, is about to enter one or more teams.

## SCHOOL SPORTS.

On Monday the annual School Sports will take place at Happy Valley. During the week, every favourable opportunity was availed of by boys of all sizes to have a fifty yards sprint or a trot round the race course. Two young Paces and a Chinese lad had a seven furlong race one evening. The two Paces ran side by side, but the Chinese lad was the victor. The two Paces ran side by side, but the Chinese lad was the victor. The two Paces ran side by side, but the Chinese lad was the victor.

## Football.

H.M.S. "Albion" and the Royal West Kent's will play off their semi-final tie to-morrow, on the Hongkong Club's Ground. Kick off 4.15 p.m.

## KNOWLEDGE CROWD.

The attendance at some of the recent football matches at Happy Valley has been so unimpressive that the Football Association has, with its advancing years, gained unbounded popularity. On one day alone—Wednesday, February 8—six games were played and 111,259 persons attended on the football grounds, the clubs in the various leagues played a total of 43,497. The games and the number of spectators present at each were:—Everton v. Liverpool 20,000; Plymouth v. Newcastle 18,000; Reading v. Fulham 15,500; Bristol City v. Woolwich 12,000; Bristol Rovers v. Bolton Wanderers 7,700. On the following day, 20,000 persons were present at the Tottenham v. Middlesbrough match, and the gate receipts were £1,017. On the previous Saturday the spectators on all the grounds totalled 311,000, the gate receipts being £210,222, so that for three days' sport the total number of spectators was 442,226, and the money received £14,766. All of the games were cup-ties and it is expected that later on in the season when the keenest struggles are likely to take place between the leading teams that all attendance records will be broken.

## Rifle Shooting.

The Volunteer Corps' Rifle Championship has been won by Ganner E. W. Penning, who beat Edward J. T. Hayton in the shoot-off by one point.

## THE REVENUE.

The members of the Hongkong Volunteer Reserve Association will meet for practice at the 200 yards range at King's Park, Kowloon, to-morrow afternoon, from 1.30 to 3. This, we are informed, will probably be the final practice shoot before the commencement of a Cup presented by His Excellency Sir Matthew Nathan.

## Yachting.

On Sunday the fifth Club race for the one-design boats of the Corinthian Yacht Club will be held. The course is from Police Pier, Kowloon, to Meyer's East Buoy (starboard), thence to Trocus Rock Buoy (port), on to the South Eastern Buoy (port), back to the Police Pier. It is probable that all the seven boats will start. The point score for the Championship of the season stands at present as follows:—"Nina" 28; "Gael" 18; "Waratah" 10; "Aethon" 2; "Cam" 1; "Hibernia" 1; and "Annie" 0. The boats have only started in one Club race.

A cruiser race will also be held by the Corinthian Yacht Club, the course being from the usual starting place round Kaitian (starboard) and back, about 12 miles.

## THE AMERICA CUP.

When leaving Ceylon recently Sir Thomas Lipton was asked whether he intended to make another challenger to race for the "America" Cup. "That is a matter," answered Sir Thomas, "which needs a great deal of consideration and thought before final decision is reached. I cannot tell you whether I will be my fault if I don't send another challenge and another 'Shamrock' for the Cup."

## Boxing.

The Metropolitan Theatre, adjoining the Metropole Hotel, a boxing contest will take place on April 1 for the Welterweight Championship of the Colony between C. Robson, holder of the title, and Jack Donaglas, a pupil of Mr. J. Christie. Interesting preliminaries have been arranged and a good night's sport is promised. An advertisement will appear in our columns later giving full particulars.

## Tennis.

The Hongkong Club's annual Tennis tournament will be held on April 8 and the following week days, instead of April 1, as previously announced. Entries can now be sent in until April 1.

## BY WHARF AND WAVE.

At the 28th annual meeting of the Chamber of Shipping of the United Kingdom, Mr. Watts, the new President, made this following important remarks in his presidential address:—There was no doubt, he thought, that sooner or later the United States Government would pass a Shipping Subsidy Bill calculated to cause a rapid increase in the mercantile tonnage under the United States flag, and that, in common with the other industries of the Republic, its mercantile marine would be protected, in every possible manner, against competition in every trade which the United States could, in any shape, or by any means, control. He was told that the Bill now before Congress was not likely to pass this session, but, as an indication that early legislation might be expected, he thought it was significant that a contract for the carriage of coal from Norfolk to Manila was recently awarded to American shipowners on the basis of \$7 per ton by steam and \$6.50 per ton by sail, as against tenders at \$4.20 made by British shipowners. The inducement to add largely to the existing tonnage of the world afforded by means of Government subsidies was a great menace to the British shipping trade, but he was afraid that it was unlikely that mere representations to foreign Governments would have any effect unless and until His Majesty's Ministers were in a position to back up their verbal representations by alternative retaliatory measures.

Captain William Williams, a retired master mariner of Oakland, California, after 29 years' unvaried experimenting, claims to have produced a miniature ship with machinery the principles of which, when introduced into ocean commerce, will cause a revolution in the life of the seamen before the mast. "This is nothing more nor less than the rearing, hatching, feeding, and rearing of a miniature ship, which will revolutionize the life of the seamen before the mast. This is nothing more nor less than the rearing, hatching, feeding, and rearing of a miniature ship, which will revolutionize the life of the seamen before the mast. This is nothing more nor less than the rearing, hatching, feeding, and rearing of a miniature ship, which will revolutionize the life of the seamen before the mast."

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William Williams, the inventor, was born in Waterford, Ireland, 73 years ago. He has been a sailing master for nearly 50 years.

## C. N. New Steamers.

Scott's Shipbuilding and Engineering Company, Limited, Greenock, have received an order from the China Navigation Company for the construction of 2,600 tons screw coasting steamers of about 2,600 tons deadweight each. They are to be about 105ft. in length and 47ft. in breadth, and to steam about 12 knots. With the best now well in hand, Scott's have seven steamers on order for the China Navigation Company. Scott's Company have been exceedingly fortunate of late in filling up all their berths with special work. The engine department is very full, and the manager, Mr. Brown, will be well occupied for a long time to come.—*Faraday*.

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